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SELECTMEN

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TOWN OFFICERS

OF

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the year ending December 31, 1954

AND FOR THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen	KENNETH E. BASCOM EDITH B. KEMP EARL F. LUTHER, JR.
Town Clerk	LEON F. NEWTON
Town Treasurer	HARRY B. GOWEN
Supervisors of the Check List	ARTHUR PILLSBURY SOLON NEAL FRED ROBBINS
Moderator	ALFRED VIOLET
Road Agent	FREELAND HEMPHILL
Overseer of the Poor	SELECTMEN
Auditor	JOHN H. ELDRIDGE
Trustees of Trust Funds	DOROTHY FAUGHT GLENN BASCOM FRANK WEAVER
Library Trustees	ELSIE GOODNOW GEORGE S. AMSDEN MARY SMITH
Budget Committee	MAURICE MILLER FAY EVANS Term ends March, 1955 HARVEY PUTNAM WALDO STREETER Term ends March, 1956 FRED ROBBINS HARRY GOWEN, Treas. Term ends March, 1957 KENNETH BASCOM, Selectman HARVEY BASCOM, School Board

TOWN WARRANT
State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Acworth in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Acworth on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To consider the budget submitted by the Budget Committee, and to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriat'ons for the same.

3. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a road agent.

4. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to deliver Inventory blanks at the time of taking Inventory.

6. To see if the Town will include within the appropriation for the Fire Dept. the sum of $100 to cover the ensuing year's cost of the installation and charges of the Red Network, so-called.

7. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow the sum of $9,000 to meet the unpaid balance on the Oshkosh truck, the above to be retired by yearly payments of $1,000 plus interest, beginning in 1955.

8. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 4th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five.

KENNETH E. BASCOM
EDITH B. KEMP
EARL F. LUTHER, JR.
Selectmen of Acworth

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Compared with

Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1954	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1954	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1955
From State:			
Interest and dividends tax	$ 500.00	$ 363.67	$ 360.00
Savings bank tax	85.00	89.44	90.00
Reimbursement acct. State and Federal forest lands	26.95	25.55	26.00
For fighting forest fires		1,634.73	
From Local Sources except Taxes:			
Dog licenses	190.00	153.00	150.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees		5.50	
Interest received on taxes and deposits	340.00	475.69	350.00
Gas sold school		221.49	300.00
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,500.00	1,535.61	1,500.00
Sale of town property		75.00	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll taxes—regular @ $2	280.00	360.00	330.00
National bank stock taxes	4.00		
Total Revenue from All Sources except Property Taxes	$ 2,925.95	$ 4,934.18	$ 3,106.00
Amt. to be raised by property taxes	16,141.13		22,598.15
Total Revenues			$25,704.15

Purposes of Expenditure	Approps. Previous Year 1954	Actual Exp'tures Previous Year 1954	Approps. Recommended By Budget Com. 1955
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,378.00	$ 1,400.00
Town officers' expenses	500.00	624.38	600.00
Election and registration expenses	150.00	183.00	50.00
Exp. town hall and other town buildings	370.00	293.05	300.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police department	25.00	22.50	25.00
Fire department	100.00	164.50	200.00
Moth exterm.—blister rust and care of trees	400.00	400.00	400.00
Insurance	450.00	787.46	800.00
Civil defense			25.00
Health:			
Town dump and garbage removal	25.00	16.10	
Highways and Bridges:			
Town maintenance—summer	2,500.00	3,052.80	3,000.00
Town maintenance—winter	3,000.00	3,378.03	3,500.00
Street lighting	275.00	235.00	325.00
General expenses of highway department	1,000.00	955.40	1,000.00
Town road aid	895.75	875.75	900.86
Total withholding highway dept.		881.54	
Libraries:	261.33	261.33	275.00
Public Welfare:			
Town poor	100.00	1,065.79	100.00
Old age assistance	900.00	695.00	900.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Asso.	110.00	110.00	110.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	100.00	108.83	100.00
Unclassified:			
Damages and legal expenses, including dog damage			25.00
Employees' retirement and social security			100.00

Interest:			
On temporary loans, bonded debt and long term notes	800.00	725.75	1,000.00
Highways and Bridges:			
State aid construction—town's share			6,000.00
New lands and buildings		16.16	
New equipment	1,500.00	1,580.00	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Bonds	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Long term notes			1,000.00
Deficit of previous year			2,568.29
	$16,262.08	$18,836.37	
Total Expenditures			$25,704.15

HARVEY S. PUTNAM
MAURICE D. MILLER
HARRY B. GOWEN
HARVEY E. BASCOM
KENNETH E. BASCOM
FRED L. ROBBINS
FAY A. EVANS
Budget Committee

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION, 1954

Lands and buildings (exclusive of growing wood and timber)		$666,155.00
Electric plants		23,104.00
Horses, asses and mules—50		2,970.00
Cows—294		25,730.00
Other neat stock—50		3,140.00
Sheep and goats—12		88.00
Fowls—764		461.00
Boats and launches—1		100.00
Portable mills—3		2,150.00
Wood, lumber, etc.		11,060.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks		615.00
Stock in trade		2,055.00
Mills and machinery		475.00
Total gross valuation before exemptions allowed		$678,103.00
Less: soldier's exemptions and exemptions to blind		24,900.00
Net valuation on which tax rate is computed		$653,203.00
Electric and Gas Utility Companies		
Granite State		$13,900.00
New Hampshire Electric Coop.		9,204.00
		$23,104.00
Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans		$24,900.00
Number of inventories distributed	460	
Number of inventories returned	292	
Number of veterans who received property exemption	25	
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax	32	

KENNETH E. BASCOM, Alstead, N. H.
EDITH B. KEMP, Lempster, N. H.
EARL F. LUTHER, JR., Charlestown, N. H.
Selectmen of Acworth

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, 1954

Assets

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	$ 6,509.94
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Reimbursement on bounties	230.00
Balance due on blister rust appropriation	45.00
Gasoline used by school district	100.00
Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on acct. of)	
Levies of 1954, 1953, 1952, previous years	5,056.35
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1954	11,744.24
Levy of 1953	400.43
Levy of 1952	289.12
Previous years	1,203.12
State head taxes—Levy of 1954	260.00
State head taxes—Previous years	75.00
Total Assets	$25,913.20
Excess of liabilities over assets (net debt)	17,424.10
Grand Total	$43,337.30
Net debt—December 31, 1953	$12,232.36
Net debt—December 31, 1954	$17,424.10
Increase of debt	$ 5,191.74

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Reserve acct. future yield tax loss	$ 5,991.72
Due to State:	
Uncollected	260.00
Due to school districts: balance of appropriation	7,085.58
Outstanding temporary loans in anticipation of taxes:	
Connecticut River National Bank, Jan. 6, 1955	9,000.00
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Savings Bank of Walpole, mortgage on town garage	600.00
Savings Bank of Walpole, note on town garage, due May, 1956	1,400.00
Franklin Co. Savings Bank & Trust Co., St. Albans, Vt., truck	9,000.00
Bonds Outstanding:	
First National Bank, Concord, N. H., road bond	10,000.00
Total Liabilities	$43,337.30
Grand Total	$43,337.30

Receipts

Current Revenue:		
From Local Taxes: (collected and remitted to Treasurer)		
Property taxes, current year, 1954	$23,311.83	
Poll taxes, current year, regular @ $2, 1954	252.00	
State head taxes @ $5, 1954	830.00	
Total current year's taxes collected and remitted		$24,393.83
Property taxes and yield taxes, previous years		14,159.34
Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ $2		72.00
State head taxes @ $5, previous years		185.00
Interest received on taxes		475.69
Penalties on state head taxes		24.50
Tax sales redeemed		2,099.29
From State:		
For Class V highways maintenance, Duncan fund		3,840.02
Interest and dividends tax		363.67
Savings bank tax and building and loan asso. tax		89.44
Reimbursement acct. State and Federal forest lands		53.10
Fighting forest fires		1,647.48
Bounties		161.25
From Local Sources, except taxes:		
Dog licenses		153.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees		5.50
Misc. selectmen's receipts		56.17
Income from departments, gasoline sold school		221.49
Registration of motor vehicles, 1954 permits		1,535.61
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
Sale of town property		75.00
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		75.00
Total Receipts from All Sources		$49,611.38
Cash on hand January 1, 1954		3,387.21
Grand Total		$52,998.59

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries	$ 1,378.00	
Town officers' expenses	624.38	
Election and registration expenses	183.00	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	293.05	
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police department	22.50	
Fire department, including forest fires	164.50	
Moth extermination, blister rust and care of trees	400.00	
Bounties	230.00	
Insurance	787.46	
Health:		
Town dumps and garbage removal	16.10	
Highways and Bridges:		
Town road aid	895.75	
Town maintenance (summer $3,052.80; winter, $3,378.03)	6,430.83	
Street lighting	235.00	
General expenses of highway department	955.40	
Libraries:	261.33	
Public Welfare:		
Old age assistance	695.00	
Town poor	1,065.79	
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Old Home Day	110.00	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	108.83	
Unclassified:		
Tax deeds to town	16.16	
Taxes bought by town	3,036.54	
Discounts, abatements and refunds	56.94	
Employees' income taxes withheld	881.54	
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		$ 3,975.02
Interest:		
Paid on long term notes	725.75	
Total Interest Payments		725.75

Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Permanent Improvements:		
Highways and bridges, town construction	4,739.50	
New equipment (highway $1,580.00)	1,580.00	
Total Outlay Payments		6,319.50
Indebtedness:		
Payments to capital reserve funds	1,000.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		1,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
State head taxes paid State Treas.	1,087.88	
Taxes paid to county	3,007.42	
Payments to school districts	15,500.00	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		$19,595.30
Total Payments for all Purposes		$46,488.65
Cash on hand December 31, 1954		6,509.94
Grand Total		$52,998.59

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers Salaries

Glenn Bascom, Moderator's salary	$ 8.00
Edith B. Kemp, Part salary	50.00
Kenneth E. Bascom, Part salary	60.00
Kenneth E. Bascom, Part salary	50.00
Edith B. Kemp, Part salary	50.00
Kenneth E. Bascom, Part salary	100.00
Earl F. Luther, Jr., Salary	250.00
Harry B. Gowen, Salary	125.00
Edith B. Kemp, Part salary	150.00
John H. Eldridge, Town audit	25.00
Kenneth E. Bascom, Part salary	40.00
Leon F. Newton, Salary, auto permits	470.00
	$ 1378.00

Town Officers Expenses

Ass'n. of N. H. Assessors, dues	3.00
Granite State Electric, electricity	1.50
John Eldridge, auditor's expense	2.81
Edith B. Kemp, bounties, telephone	.78
Perry & Willard, bonding town officers	73.60
Fred Robbins, bounties, office expenses	5.23

Granite State Electric	1.50
Edson C. Eastman Co., office supplies	10.60
Edith B. Kemp, office expenses	1.56
Granite State Electric	1.50
Tony O. Russell, recording transfers, mortgages	12.81
Wheeler & Clark, office supplies (town clerk)	37.99
Brown & Saltmarsh, vouchers	12.51
Bernice Sawyer MacWilliams, list of probate estates	.60
Comstock, the Printer, town reports	295.70
Granite State Electric	1.50
Kenneth E. Bascom, office expenses	3.30
N. H. Tax Collector's Ass'n., dues	3.00
Edith B. Kemp, postage	.15
Wheeler & Clark, selectmen's stamp	3.25
Perry & Willard, increase of bonds on town clerk	2.00
Leon F. Newton, attending tax meeting, head taxes	37.00
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	6.18
Harold Curtis, printing envelopes	1.25
Edith B. Kemp, postage	.42
Katharine Burke, stamped envelopes	11.73
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	5.35
Kenneth E. Bascom, postage and gas to Concord	2.22
Edith B. Kemp, registry of deeds	.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Leon Newton, making two deeds	2.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	5.25
Theodore Pitkin, mowing common	15.00
Granite State Electric	1.50
Edith B. Kemp, assessor's meeting	16.00
Charles R. Hardy, treas., town clerk's dues	2.00
Granite State Electric	1.50
Edith B. Kemp, telephone	.28
Granite State Electric	1.50
Earl Luther, tax meeting	4.00
Edith B. Kemp, tax meeting	4.00
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co., telephone	10.50
Kenneth E. Bascom, tax meeting	4.00
Edith B. Kemp, telephone	.35
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	5.55
Granite State Electric	1.50
Edith B. Kemp, notebook	.69
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.72
	$ 624.38

Election and Registration

Solon Neal, salary, supervisor and sexton	$ 44.00
Clayton Spaulding, ballot clerk	14.00
Thomas Ruiter, ballot clerk	14.00
Samuel Moody, ballot clerk	14.00
Mary Smith	14.00
Edith Pillsbury, A. Pillsbury as supervisor	36.00
Fred Robbins, supervisor of check list	20.00
Alfred Violet, moderator	27.00
	$ 183.00

Town Hall and other Town Buildings

Granite State Electric, electricity	$ 1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
G. L. Dexter, library roof repair	268.05
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Charles Westney, moving safe	5.00
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
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Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Clayton Spaulding, step repair	3.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
	$ 293.05

Police

Thomas Potter	$ 5.00
Thomas Potter	11.00
Thomas Potter	2.50
Thomas Potter	4.00
	$ 22.50

Fire

Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Acworth Volunteer Fire Dept., fire truck	100.00
Lempster Fire Dept., March Clark fire	15.00
Granite State Electric	1.50
Lyle Farnsworth, fire meeting	4.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Lyle Farnsworth, fire meeting	6.00
Earl Luther, gas for fire dept.	7.50
Lyle Farnsworth, fire on W. Birch Hill	15.00

Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
Granite State Electric	1.50
	$ 164.50

Moth Extermination & Blister Rust

N. H. State Forestry & Recreation Dept.	400.00

Bounties

Fred Robbins	$ 34.50
Fred Robbins	12.00
Edith Kemp	7.00
Kenneth Bascom	4.00
Fred Robbins	6.00
Clifton Rollins	15.50
Edith Kemp	1.00
Edith Kemp	14.00
Clayton Spaulding	2.50
Kenneth Bascom	25.00
Edith Kemp	5.00
Leon Newton	.50
Kenneth Bascom	.50
Kenneth Bascom	8.50
Edith Kemp	4.00
Edith Kemp	4.00
Kenneth Bascom	2.50
Earl Luther	4.50
Lyman Young	1.50
Edith Kemp	1.50
Edith Kemp	4.00
Kenneth Bascom	1.00
Edith Kemp	1.00
Allen Young	3.00
Kenneth Bascom	1.00
Edith Kemp	2.50
Edith Kemp	10.00
Earl Luther	15.50
Edith Kemp	1.50
Edith Kemp	4.50
Kenneth Bascom	19.50
Edith Kemp	3.00
Earl Luther	4.50
	$ 230.00

Health Dept.	
Fred Robbins, burning dump	$ 15.00
F. A. Knight, kerosene	1.10
	$ 16.10
Taxes Deeded To Town	
Leon Newton	$16.16
Highway Department	
Winter maintenance	$3,378.03
Summer maintenance	3,052.80
General expenses	955.40
Town construction, Class V	4,739.50
Bonds and Term Notes	
First National Bank of Concord	$1,000.00
Library	
George S. Amsden	$ 261.33
Old Age Assistance	
State of New Hampshire	$ 695.00
Memorial Day	
Britton Porter Post No. 57	$ 60.00
Old Home Day	
Harry B. Gowen, treas., Old Home Day Ass'n	$ 50.00
Interest	
Connecticut River National Bank, interest on note	$ 135.00
First National Bank, Concord, interest on note	137.50
Conecticut River Nat'l Bank, interest on $9,000 note	135.00
First Nat'l Bank, Concord, interest on note	137.50
Walpole Savings Bank, interest on mortgage-town garage	57.00
Franklin Co. Savings Bank, interest on Oshkosh notes	123.75
	$ 725.75
Withholding Taxes	
Director of Internal Revenue	$ 881.54
Street Lighting	
Granite State Electric Co.	$ 235.00
Town Poor	
Hitchcock Clinic	$ 100.00
Hitchcock Clinic	804.03
Hitchcock Clinic	3.00
Brattleboro Mutual Aid Ass'n	57.15
Brattleboro Drug Co.	91.11
Brattleboro Mutual Aid Ass'n	4.50
Hitchcock Clinic	6.00
	$1,065.79

Cemeteries

Lyle Farnsworth, mowing	$ 37.40
Solon Neal, mowing	33.00
Robert Royce, mowing	18.43
Solon Neal, sexton	20.00
	$ 108.83

Taxes Bought By Town

Taxes	$3,036.54

Head Tax

State Treasurer, head taxes	1,087.88

T. R. A.

State of N. H., T. R. A.	$ 895.75

Insurance

Myrle Reed, Sr., Library Ins.	$ 69.90
Perry & Willard, bond insurance	61.20
Harold S. Putnam, town garage	30.87
Harold S. Putnam, tractor, '41 firetruck	104.40
Harold S. Putnam, Ford firetruck	49.33
Harold S. Putnam, Oshkosh	180.64
Perry & Willard	151.10
Perry & Willard	113.82
Harold S. Putnam, tractor	26.20
	$ 787.46

Tax Refund

L. E. Weed & Son	56.94

New Equipment

Cassellini - Venable Corp, payment Oshkosh truck	$1,580.00

School District

Dorothy N. Faught, treas.	$1,500.00
Harry Gowen, treas.	14,000.00
	$15,500.00

County Tax

Merton Sargent, treas.	$3,007.42

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Dog Licenses

Total received		$ 165.00
Fees retained	$ 12.00	
Paid treasurer	153.00	
	$ 165.00	

Auto Permits

1953 permits 249-256 inclusive	
1954 permits 1-238 inclusive	$ 1,535.61
1955 permits 1 and 2	
Paid treasurer	$ 1,535.61

I hereby certify that the foregoing report is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk

I have examined the records of the town clerk and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. ELDRIDGE, Auditor

Jan. 22, 1955.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Summary of Payments

Town officers' salaries	$ 1,378.00
Town officers' expenses	624.38
Election and registration	183.00
Town Hall and other buildings	293.05
Police	22.50
Fire	164.50
Blister Rust	400.00
Bounties	230.00
Refund from L. E. Weed Co.	56.94
Health Department	16.10
Withholding	881.54
Taxes deeded to the town	16.16
Summer	3,052.80
Winter	3,378.03
Lights	235.00
General Expenses highway dept.	955.40
Libraries	261.33
Old Age assistance	695.00
Town Poor	1,065.79
Memorial Day and Old Home Day	110.00

Cemeteries	108.83
Taxes bought by the town	3,036.54
Interest	725.75
T. R. A.	895.75
Duncan money	4,739.50
Insurance	787.46
New Equipment	1,580.00
Road Bond	1,000.00
County tax	3,007.42
Head taxes	1,087.88
Schools	15,500.00
	$46,488.65

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY B. GOWEN

Summary of Receipts

Jan. 1, 1954, Cash on hand	$ 3,387.21
Leon F. Newton, Tax Collector	
Property taxes, 1954	23,311.83
Poll taxes, 1954	252.00
Property and Polls previous years	13,223.45
Tax sales redeemed	2,099.29
Head taxes	1,015.00
Penalties	24.50
Timber tax	1,007.89
Filing fee	5.00
Leon F. Newton, town clerk	
Dog licenses	153.00
Auto permits	1,535.61
Interest	475.69
From school district	221.49
Taxes bought by the town	75.00
From Selectmen	56.67
State of N. H., loss of taxes on forest land	27.55
State of N. H., class V money	3,840.02
State of N. H., forest fire refund	12.75
State of N. H., loss of taxes on forest land	25.55
State of N. H., Savings Bank tax	89.44
State of N. H., interest and dividends tax	363.67
State of N. H., bounties	161.25
State of N. H., Forest fire refund	1,634.73
	$52,998.59

HARRY B. GOWEN
Town Treasurer

Detailed Statement of Receipts

Jan. 1	Balance on hand auditors' report		$ 3,387.21
Feb. 4	Leon F. Newton, poll taxes		4.00
		head taxes	10.00
		property taxes	2,715.99
		penalties	1.00
		interest	21.78
		timber tax	516.36
		tax sales redeemed	10.00
		auto permits	110.17
		property tax, 1954	2.70
Mar. 16	Leon F. Newton, auto permits		571.45
		tax sales redeemed	135.92
		interest	6.80
		regular polls, 1953	18.00
		head tax, 1954	5.00
		head tax, 1953	70.00
		property taxes, 1953	1,706.92
		interest	22.36
		penalties	7.00
		pistol permit	.50
		loss of taxes on forest land	27.55
Apr. 12	Leon F. Newton, regular polls 1953		34.00
		property taxes 1954	3.00
		property taxes 1953	547.09
		property taxes 1951	44.37
		interest	8.94
		head tax 1954	5.00
		head tax 1953	105.00
		penalties	10.50
		tax sales redeemed	10.00
		dog license	10.80
		auto permits	503.21
Apr. 20	State of N. H., forest fire refund		1,210.51
	State of N. H. forest fire refund		424.22
May 24	Leon F. Newton, regular polls 1953		10.00
		Property tax, 1953	1,700.84
		interest	46.41
		head tax	25.00
		penalties	2.50
		tax sales redeemed	209.58
		interest	33.21
		auto permits	85.08
		dog licenses	83.40

	From Selectmen, Palches fire	23.54
	From Selectmen, Elsessers check	28.60
June 17	Leon F. Newton, tax sales redeemed	60.00
	regular polls	4.00
	property taxes 1953	1,963.21
	yield tax	46.59
	interest	63.66
	head taxes	20.00
	penalties	1.00
July 10	Leon F. Newton, tax sales redeemed	142.60
	interest	11.32
	regular polls 1954	42.00
	regular polls 1953	2.00
	property tax 1954	100.00
	property tax 1953	995.28
	interest	11.96
	head tax	125.00
	State of N. H., fire refund	2.25
	Acworth School Dist., payt for gas	221.49
July 20	State of N. H., class V money	3,840.62
July 29	Leon F. Newton, tax sales redeemed	444.00
	interest	164.69
	poll taxes	20.00
	property taxes 1953	3,451.67
	yield taxes	262.45
	head taxes	75.00
	penalties	1.50
	auto permits	99.44
	dog licenses	27.40
Aug. 10	State of N. H., bounties	161.25
Aug. 16	State of N. H., int. and dividends tax	363.67
Sept. 13	Leon F. Newton, regular polls 1954	144.00
	property taxes 1954	1,226.63
	property taxes 1953	11.04
	yield taxes	182.49
	interest	5.66
	head tax	345.00
	tax sales redeemed	533.36
	taxes bought by the town	75.00
	State of N. H., fire refund	3.00
	Leon F. Newton, interest	60.26

Oct. 7	Leon F. Newton,	regular polls 1954	14.00
		property taxes 1954	3,405.68
		interest	.80
		head taxes	60.00
		tax sales redeemed	6.75
		filing fees	5.00
		dog licenses	26.80
		auto permits	38.44
Nov. 1	Leon F. Newton,	tax sales redeemed	504.06
		interest	10.07
		regular polls 1954	6.00
		property taxes 1954	1,767.41
		interest	.20
		head tax	25.00
State of N.H., fire refund			7.50
Nov. 18	Leon F. Newton,	property taxes 1954	3,344.34
		head tax	5.00
Nov. 26	Leon F. Newton,	regular polls 1954	10.00
		property taxes 1954	2,465.47
		interest	1.00
		head tax	35.00
		tax sales redeemed	20.00
Dec. 3	Leon F. Newton,	regular polls 1954	16.00
		property taxes 1954	8,760.00
		interest	1.60
		head tax	95.00
Dec. 13	Town of Acworth, Larocke checks refund		4.03
Dec. 22	State of N. H., Savings Bank tax		89.44
	State of N. H., loss of taxes on state forest land		25.55
Dec. 30	Leon F. Newton,	regular polls 1954	4.00
		property taxes 1954	2,236.60
		property taxes 1953	11.04
		interest	3.73
		head tax	10.00
		penalties	1.00
		tax sales redeemed	23.02
		interest	1.24
		auto permits	127.82
		dog licenses	4.60
			$52,998.59

Harry B. Gowen
Town Treasurer

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Appropriations:

Town officers' salaries		$ 1,500.00
Town officers' expenses		500.00
Election and registration expenses		150.00
Town Hall and buildings maintenance		370.00
Police department		25.00
Fire department		100.00
Blister rust, moth extermination and care of trees		400.00
Dump and garbage collection		25.00
Town road aid		895.75
Town maintenance		5,500.00
General expenses of highway department		1,000.00
Insurance		450.00
Street lighting		275.00
New equipment		1,500.00
Libraries		261.33
Old age assistance		900.00
Public relief		100.00
Memorial Day, Veterans Association, Old Home Day		110.00
Cemeteries		100.00
Payments on debt		2,100.00
County tax		3,007.42
School tax		16,896.47
Capital reserve fund—to be raised by taxation		464.25
Total town and school appropriations		$36,630.22
Less: Estimated revenues and credits:		
Interest and dividends tax	$ 362.81	
Savings bank tax	89.44	
Reimbursement acct. state and federal lands	27.55	
Reimbursement acct. exemption of growing wood and timber	539.65	
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,500.00	
Dog licenses	190.00	
Interest on taxes and income from trust funds	340.00	
Total revenues and credits		$ 3,049.45
		$33,580.77

Plus overlay	201.22
Net amount to be raised by taxation	$33,781.99
Less: number 169 of poll taxes at $2.00	$ 338.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured	$33,443.99

Taxes to be Committed to Collector

Property taxes	$33,443.99
Poll taxes at $2.00	338.00
Total taxes to be committed	$33,781.99

Tax Rates

Approved by Commission

Town	$5.12

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrant—Property and Poll Taxes

Levy of 1954

DR.

Taxes committed to collector		
Property taxes	$33,327.37	
Poll taxes	338.00	
Total warrant		$33,665.37
Added taxes		
Property taxes		783.36
Poll taxes		20.00
Interest collected		7.53
Total debits		$34,476.26

CR.

Remittances to treasurer		
Property taxes	$23,333.91	
Poll	252.00	
Interest collected	7.53	
Abatements	371.84	
Uncollected taxes as per collector's list		
Property taxes	10,420.98	
Poll taxes	90.00	
Total credits		$34,476.26

Summary of Warrant—Property, Poll and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1953

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1954		
Property taxes	$13,281.33	
Poll taxes	90.00	
Yield taxes	1,635.13	
		$15,006.46
Interest collected during the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1954	336.85	
Added poll taxes	4.00	
Added property taxes	425.04	
Total debits		$15,772.35

CR.

Remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1954		
Property taxes	$13,081.00	
Poll taxes	72.00	
Yield taxes	1,007.89	
Interest collected during year	336.85	
Abatements made during year	220.80	
Uncollected taxes as per collector list		
Property taxes	404.57	
Poll taxes	22.00	
Yield taxes	627.24	
Total credits		$15,772.35

Summary of Warrant—Previous Years

Uncollected January 1, 1954		
Property taxes	$ 556.72	
Poll taxes	44.00	
Yield taxes	303.56	
Interest collected	2.83	
		$ 907.11
Remittances to treasurer		
Property taxes	$ 44.37	
Poll taxes	4.00	
Interest collected	2.83	
Abatements	17.05	
Uncollected		
Property taxes	499.30	
Poll taxes	36.00	
Yield taxes	303.56	
		$ 907.11

Summary of Warrant—State Head Tax Levy of 1954

Head taxes committed to collector		
Original warrant	$ 995.00	
Added taxes	65.00	
Penalties collected	1.00	
Total debits		$ 1,061.00
Remittances to treasurer		
Head taxes	780.00	
Penalties	1.00	
Abatements	20.00	
Uncollected 12-31-54	260.00	
Total credits		$ 1,061.00

Head Tax Levy of 1953

Uncollected 1-1-54	295.00	
Added tax	20.00	
Penalties collected	23.00	
Total debits		$ 338.00
Remittances to treasurer		
Head taxes	230.00	
Penalties	23.00	
Uncollected 12-31-54	85.00	
Total credits		$ 338.00

Head Tax Levy of 1952

Uncollected 1-1-54	$ 40.00	
Penalties collected	.50	
Total debits		$ 40.50
Remittances to treasurer		
Head tax	5.00	
Penalty	.50	
Abatements	10.00	
Uncollected 12-31-54	25.00	
Total credits		$ 40.50

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts

Balance unredeemed Jan. 1, 1954 on account of the levy of

	1953	1952	1951	Previous
		$1,861.64	$1,541.24	$ 809.04
Sold to town during year (1954)	$3,035.52			14.87
Interest collected	10.07	30.07	73.47	
	$3,045.59	$1,891.71	$1,614.71	$ 823.91
Remittances to treasurer	1,035.53	$ 445.23	$ 629.41	$ 117.60
Deeded to town during year		32.92	36.76	22.12
Unredeemed 12-31-54	2,010.06	1,413.56	948.54	684.19
	$3,045.59	$1,891.71	$1,614.71	$ 823.91

I hereby certify that the foregoing account is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Tax Collector

I have examined the accounts of the tax collector and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. ELDRIDGE, Auditor

Jan. 22, 1955.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town hall, lands and buildings	$ 4,000.00
Furniture and equipment	150.00
Libraries, lands and buildings	5,000.00
Furniture and equipment	2,000.00
Fire department, lands and buildings	2,500.00
Equipment	1,200.00
Highway department, lands and buildings	2,900.00
Equipment	13,000.00
Materials and supplies	500.00
Parks, commons and playgrounds	500.00
Schools, lands and buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
Jennison lot	250.00
Prouty lot	75.00
Allen lot	125.00
Total	$44,200.00

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

Assets of the town Dec. 31, 1954		
Cash in treasury	$ 6,509.94	
Due on 1954 taxes	10,510.98	
Due on 1953 taxes and previous years	1,892.67	
Unredeemed previous years	5,056.35	
		$23,969.94
Liabilities of the town Dec. 31, 1954		
Due Conn. River National Bank on tax anticipation notes	$ 9,000.00	
Balance due on new town truck	9,000.00	
		$18,000.00
Balance 12-31-54		$ 5,969.94
Long term debt		
Due Walpole Savings Bank acct. town garage note and mortgage	$ 2,000.00	
Due First National Bank, Concord, N. H. acct. road bonds	10,000.00	
		$12,000.00

The Silsby Free Public Library Trust Funds

Assets

Deposited in savings account, N. H. Savings Bank		$ 1,900.74

Liabilities

Total trust funds received	$1,789.06	
Unexpended interest	111.68	
		$ 1,900.74

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. ELDRIDGE, Auditor.

February 2, 1955.

I have examined the records of the trustees of trust funds for the year 1954 and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN H. ELDRIGE, Auditor

Jan. 29, 1955.

SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Report of Trustees, 1954

The patronage of the library on Tuesday evenings of the summer months this year appears to justify the continuance of this service in 1955 from June 22 to Sept. 7 inclusive in addition to the usual periods of from 2 to 4.30 on Saturday afternoons.

The total number of books loaned throughout the year was 707, in addition to 171 magazines. Twenty-nine new books were acquired by gift or purchase not including 99 books the estate of Mrs. Harriet Hull gave to the library. There are now about 8000 books subject to loan owned by the library and numerous books of reference which it is not practical to loan. While the number of books purchased is small they are carefully selected with reference to their permanent importance.

Although the library is relatively small the State Bookmobile service leaves on loan at each visit some four or five times a year a considerable number of well chosen volumes of current and permanent importance. Residents of the town may again be reminded that the librarian will be pleased to try to obtain for any one by loan from the State Library or elsewhere books desired but not found in the library. The library is therefore in position to serve a wide variety of reading interest which the librarian on notice will try to satisfy. The librarian will also be pleased to arrange that residents not able for any reason to come to the library may receive as far as possible books they may wish or may choose from a list the librarian will furnish.

In view of notice given early in the year by Mrs. Iliffe that she could not continue as librarian throughout the year Miss Maude Moody was appointed librarian and attended the Saturday afternoon period the remainder of the year while Mrs. Iliffe took over the Tuesday evening period during the summer months. Under the present arrangement the trustees decided that in fairness to the librarian the rate of remuneration per hour should be increased. At present the librarian is expected to serve 154 hours per year. This does not include the time she must spend to meet

the Bookmobile at each visit to return to it books already loaned and to select books for a new loan. This requires from 6 to 9 hours per year.

The trustees note with regret the resignation of Mrs. Thomas Potter from the board of trustes. Mrs. Arthur Smith was appointed in Mrs. Potter's stead.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSIE GOODNOW
GEORGE S. AMSDEN
MARY SMITH
Library Trustees

Treasurer's Report

Town Appropriation Account

Receipts

Balance from 1953	$ 143.17	
Town treasurer	261.33	
Total receipts		$ 404.50

Expenditures Summary

Librarian's service	$ 145.76	
Heating	20.00	
Lighting	18.24	
Association dues	11.00	
Janitor service	18.50	
New equipment	50.00	
Books	42.64	
Miscellaneous	4.10	
		$ 310.24
Balance on hand Dec. 31		$ 94.26

Trust Fund Account

Receipts

Balance from 1953	$ 33.08	
Trustee of trust fund	75.00	
		$ 108.08

Expenditures

Magazines	$ 37.45
Balance on hand Dec. 31	$ 70.63

G. S. AMSDEN, Treasurer

Budget for 1955

Librarian service	$ 215.00
Janitor service	50.00
Fuel	00.00
Electric lighting	22.00
American Library Association dues	6.00
New Hampshire Library Association dues	5.00
Painting and repairs	60.00
Postage	2.00
Library supplies	15.00
Miscellaneous supplies	15.00
Total	$ 390.00
Cash on hand	94.26
Total appropriation needed	$ 295.74

ELSIE GOODNOW
GEORGE S. AMSDEN
MARY SMITH
Trustees

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Acworth, N. H., on December 31, 1954

Date of Creation	Name of TRUST FUNDS (Cemetery Fund)	How Invested	Principal Balance Beginning Year	Income Balance Beginning Year	Percent	Amount Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
4-22-13	Edward C. Ball	N. H. Savings	$100.00		3	$ 3.02	$ 1.80	$ 1.22
4-22-13	Julia A. Buswell	N. H. Savings	200.00	$ 53.80	3	7.66	1.80	59.66
4-26-16	Mary L. Bowers	N. H. Savings	300.00	8.24	3	9.30	1.80	15.74
2-17-22	George W. Neal	N. H. Savings	106.36		3	3.20	1.80	1.40
7- 8-22	T. W. Place	N. H. Savings	50.00		3	1.50	1.50	
8- 5-24	Wm. Warner	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
1- 3-25	Horace G. Perham	N. H. Savings	50.00		3	1.50	1.50	
3-19-25	Henry A. Clark	N. H. Savings	200.00	99.49	3	9.04	1.80	106.73
7-13-25	Laura J. McKeen	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
12-29-25	Abram Mitchell	N. H. Savings	190.00	24.12	3	6.47	1.80	28.79
5- 3-29	Chas. K. Wood	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
3-14-30	Chas. Elliott	N. H. Savings	50.00		3	1.50	1.50	
4- 1-30	Hiram N. Hayward	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
1-12-31	Cynthia E. Finlay	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
9- 1-31	Ada L. Wallace	N. H. Savings	200.00	3.05	3	6.14	1.80	7.39
11-19-31	White-Ryder	N. H. Savings	95.00		3	2.87	1.80	1.07
9-21-32	Oariett Eaton	N. H. Savings	25.00		3	.76	.76	
2-27-33	Samuel A. Nye	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
4-17-34	Ashton E. Hemphill	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
7-12-37	Geo. W. Buss	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
10-23-37	Frank McLaughlin	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
12-15-37	Walter Slader	N. H. Savings	300.00	10.65	3	9.38	1.80	18.23
5-15-38	George W. Call	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22

1- 1-39	Alger E. Hemphill	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
5- 4-40	Chas. M. Thornton	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
11-12-41	Gertrude C. Read	N. H. Savings	200.00	3.05	3	6.14	1.80	7.39
12- 9-41	Weston Kemp	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
12- 9-41	Orlin R. Kemp	N. H. Savings	50.00		3	1.50	1.50	
7-23-42	James Jeffrey	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
7-23-42	H. W. Allen	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
2-28-43	Ella M. Prentiss	N. H. Savings	100.00		3	3.02	1.80	1.22
12-27-44	Almon E. Clark	Sugar River Sav.	130.00		3¼	4.24	1.80	2.44
12-27-44	Francis Buss	Sugar River Sav.	70.00		3¼	2.29	1.80	.49
10-19-45	Edwin S. Chatterton	Sugar River Sav.	300.00	15.89	3¼	10.33	1.80	24.42
2- 3-46	Horace K. Rugg	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
2-19-46	Erving C. Davis	Sugar River Sav.	150.00	1 63	3¼	4.95	1.80	4.78
3-28-46	Carl Kemp	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
10-28-46	A. W. Barney	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
5- 6-47	Fred Batchelder	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
11- 4-47	Bass lot	Sugar River Sav.	200.00	3.27	3¼	6.66	1.80	8.13
4- 6-51	Grace Muzzy	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
8-29-51	Horace Dexter	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
3-24-52	Geo. W. Potter	Sugar River Sav.	100.00		3¼	3.27	1.80	1.47
3-24-52	Barnet C. Finlay	Sugar River Sav.	100.00	3.27	3¼	3.27	0.00	6.64
8-16-54	Roscoe Hull	Sugar River Sav.	*200.00		3¼	1.17	1.80	–.63
		Totals	$5566.36	$226.46		$174.20	$76.96	$323.70
	LIBRARY FUNDS							
8- 5-16	Rebecca W. Madison	N. H. Savings	150.00	24.15	3	5.25		29.40
8-24-25	W. L. Woodbury	N. H. Savings	1000.00	33.40	3	31.22		64.62
12-25-25	Abram M. Mitchell	N. H. Savings	475.00	56.60	3	15.65	54.57	17.68
3-15-37	Walter L. Slader	N. H. Savings	164.06	15.17	3	5.26	20.43	
		Totals	$1789.06	$129.32		$ 57.38	$75.00	$111.70

* NOTE: There was a 63 cents loss on sale of securities.

SCHOOL REPORT

DISTRICT OF ACWORTH, N. H.

SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL, 1954-55

Moderator
LEON NEWTON

Clerk
KATHERINE SPRAGUE

School Board

CLYDE YOUNG	Term expires 1955
HARVEY BASCOM	Term expires 1956
ETHEL RUITER	Term expires 1957

Treasurer
HARRY GOWEN

Auditor
MAUDE MOODY

Teachers
VIRGINIA BLAKE, Grades 1-3
RUTH WEEKS, Grades 4-6

Union Clerk
MARION BRADISH

Union Nurse
FLORENCE MACIVER

Superintendent of Union No. 5
RALPH H. MEACHAM

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ACWORTH, N. H., 1955-1956

EXPENDITURES — ITEM	Actual Exp'tures 1953-54	Adopted Budget 1954-55	Actual Exp'tures July 1 to Dec., 31, '54	School Board's Budget 1955-56	Budget Com. Bud. 1955-56
Administration					
Salaries of district officers	$ 230.00	$ 230.00	$ 187.50	$ 230.00	
Superintendent's salary (local share)	171.50	217.00	234.50	234.50	
Tax for state wide supervision	156.00	146.00	146.00	130.00	
Salaries of other administrative personnel	145.25	154.00	154.00	154.00	
Supplies and expenses	240.47	270.75	164.76	275.00	
Instruction					
Elementary teachers' and principal's salaries	5,465.00	5,850.00	2,233.72	6,100.00	$ 6,100.00
Books and other instruction aids, elementary	110.78	100.00		90.00	90.00
Scholars' supplies, elementary	281.11	200.00	129.06	120.00	120.00
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	29.06	50.00	30.00	50.00	50.00
Salaries of custodians, elementary	237.50	300.00	132.50	350.00	350.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	471.32	350.00	12.77	350.00	350.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, elementary	268.45	275.00	133.56	275.00	275.00
Maintenance of School Plant					
Repairs and replacements, elementary	458.11	175.00	77.84	100.00	100.00
Auxiliary Activities					
Health supervision, elementary	197.05	240.00	212.88	310.00	310.00
Transportation, high	780.97	1,000.00	1,397.22		
Transportation, elementary	2,460.32	3,000.00		4,050.00	4,050.00
Tuition, high	2,925.11	3,380.00	1,430.00	4,125.00	4,125.00
Tuition, elementary	1,710.75	2,470.00	1,425.00	2,950.00	2,950.00
Special activities and special funds, elementary		100.00		50.00	50.00
†School lunch and special milk, elementary	125.98		20.60	125.00	125.00

Fixed Charges					
Retirement, elementary	382.07	416.77	125.58	441.62	441.62
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses, elementary	253.13	133.07	133.32	160.61	160.61
	$17,099.93	$19,057.59	$ 8,380.81	$20,670.73	
Capital Outlay					
Additions and improvements, elementary		100.00			
New equipment, elementary	627.35	100.00			
Total Capital Outlay	$ 627.35	$ 200.00			
Debt and Interest					
Principal of debt	800.00				
Interest on debt	23.33				
Total Debt and Interest	$ 823.33				
Total Expenditures or school appropriation	$18,550.61	$19,257.59	$ 8,380.81	$20,670.73	

†Federal and District funds.

RECEIPTS — ITEM	Actual Receipts 1953-54	Adopted Budget 1954-55	Actual Receipts July 1 to Dec. 31, '54	School Board's Budget 1955-56	Budget Com. Bud. 1955-56
Balance (actual or estimated)	$ 107.79	$ 2,361.12	$ 208.34	$ 368.58	$ 368.58
Federal Aid—school funds	124.45		20.60	125.00	125.00
Other	126.71		90.25		
Total Receipts other than Property Taxes	$ 358.95	$ 2,361.12	$ 319.19	$ 493.58	$ 493.58
District Assessment Raised or to be raised by Property Taxes	$18,400.00	$16,896.47	$ 8,000.00	$20,177.15	

HARVEY S. PUTNAM
MAURICE D. MILLER
HARRY B. GOWEN
HARVEY E. BASCOM

KENNETH BASCOM
FRED L. ROBBINS
FAY A. EVANS
Budget Committee

SCHOOL WARRANT
State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Acworth qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the fifteenth day of March, 1955, at eight o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects.

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund, together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954

Administration:		
Salaries of District Officers:		
Willis Ward, school board	$ 75.00	
Frances Streeter, school board	50.00	
Harvey Bascom, school board	50.00	
Dorothy Faught, treasurer	35.00	
Leon Newton, moderator	5.00	
Katherine Sprague, clerk	5.00	
Frank Weaver, auditor	10.00	
		$ 230.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)		171.50
1953-54		
Acworth	$ 171.50	
Charlestown	1,102.50	
Cornish	465.50	
Croydon	147.00	
Goshen	122.50	
Langdon	122.50	
Lempster	122.50	
Unity	196.00	
	$2,450.00	
State share	3,250.00	
	$5,700.00	
Tax for State Wide Supervision		156.00
Salaries of other Administrative Personnel:		
Clerk, union office	$ 110.25	
District books	25.00	
Parents Club, census	10.00	
	$ 145.25	
Supplies and expenses	240.47	
Instruction:		
Teacher's salaries:		
Virginia Blake	$1,912.40	
Ethelyn Pierce	1,055.40	
Joan Worthley	1,013.60	
Paul Robbins	200.00	
Frances Streeter	40.00	
Director of Internal Revenue	873.60	
Teacher's Retirement System	370.00	
		$ 5,465.00

Books and Other Instructional Aids		110.78
Scholars' supplies		281.11
Supplies and Other Expenses		29.06
Operation of School Plant:		
Salaries of janitor: Don Sprague		237.50
Fuel or Heat		471.32
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses		268.45
Maintenance of School Plant:		
Repairs and Replacements:		
Leonard Balla	$ 2.40	
Arthur W. Smith, Sr.	31.25	
Bill Hoyt	10.00	
Wirthmore Feed Company	6.80	
Howard Hardware Company	1.44	
Nelson C. Burnham	14.55	
Robert Trask	20.00	
A. H. Streeter	254.20	
Julius Christie	3.50	
Fred Carmen	70.00	
Don Sprague	37.50	
Marx's Hardware	6.47	
		$ 458.11
Auxiliary Activities:		
Health Supervision		197.05
Transportation:		
Harvey Bascom	1,450.00	
Leonard Smith	1,200.00	
Alstead Garage	233.25	
Town of Acworth	314.27	
Tidewater Associated Oil Co.	20.77	
Charlestown Garage	14.00	
		$ 3,241.29
Tuition: (Alstead)		
High School	$2,925.11	
Elementary	1,710.75	
		$ 4,635.86

Special Activities and Special Funds (School lunch)		125.98
Fixed Charges:		
Retirement (District share)		382.07
Insurance, Treasurer's Bond and Expenses		253.13
Capital Outlay:		
New Equipment:		
Beckley-Cardy Company	$ 119.75	
Gledhill Bros. Inc.	131.96	
Norman Fletcher	60.00	
W. H. Bodine Sons	6.64	
Kimball's, Inc.	159.00	
Rick's Electrical Shop	150.00	
		$ 627.35
Debt and Interest:		
Principal of Debt		800.00
Interest on Debt		23.33
		$18,550.61
Balance on hand June 30, 1954		208.34
		$18,758.95

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Actual Exp'tures 1953-54	Budget 1954-55	Estimated Exp'tures 1954-55	School Board's Budget 1955-56	Budget Com. Bud. 1955-56
Administration:					
Salaries of district officers	$ 230.00	$ 230.00	$ 230.00	$ 230.00	$ 230.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	171.50	217.00	234.50	234.50	234.50
Tax for statewide supervision	156.00	146.00	146.00	130.00	130.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	145.25	154.00	154.00	154.00	154.00
Supplies and expenses	240.47	270.75	270.75	275.00	275.00
Instruction:					
Principal's and teachers' salaries	5,465.00	5,850.00	5,750.00	6,100.00	6,100.00
Books and other instructional aids	110.78	100.00	50.00	90.00	90.00
Scholars' supplies	281.11	200.00	175.00	120.00	120.00
Supplies and other expenses	29.06	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Operation of School Plant:					
Salaries of janitors	237.50	300.00	300.00	350.00	350.00
Fuel or heat	471.32	350.00	250.00	350.00	350.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	268.45	275.00	275.00	275.00	275.00
Maintenance of School Plant:					
Repairs and replacements	458.11	175.00	175.00	100.00	100.00
Auxiliary Activities:					
Health supervision	197.05	240.00	240.00	310.00	310.00
Transportation	3,241.29	4,000.00	4,100.00	4,050.00	4,050.00
Tuition	4,635.86	5,850.00	5,850.00	7,075.00	7,075.00
Special account and special funds		100.00	25.00	50.00	50.00
School lunch	125.98			125.00	125.00

Fixed Charges:					
Retirement	382.07	416.77	416.77	441.62	441.62
Insurance, treasurer's bond and expenses	253.13	133.07	133.32	160.61	160.61
Capital Outlay:					
Additions and improvements to buildings		100.00	100.00		
New equipment	627.35	100.00			
Debt and Interest:					
Principal of debt	800.00				
Interest on debt	23.33				
	$18,550.61	$19,257.59	$18,925.34	$20,670.73	$20,670.73
RECEIPTS:					
Balance (actual or estimated)	$ 107.79	$ 2,361.12	$ 208.34	$ 368.58	$ 368.58
Federal aid—school lunch	124.45			125.00	125.00
Other	126.71		2,189.11		
District Assessment	18,400.00	16,896.47	16,896.47	20,177.15	20,177.15
Total Receipts	$18,758.95	$19,257.59	$19,293.92	$20,670.73	$20,670.73

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954

Cash on hand, July 1, 1953	$ 107.79
Received from Town of Acworth	18,400.00
Received from State of N. H. (School lunch)	124.45
Received from Other Sources	126.71
Total amount available for fiscal year	$18,758.95
Less school board orders paid	18,550.61
Balance on hand June 30, 1954	$ 208.34

PUPIL STATISTICS, 1954-1955

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Acworth	6	8	4	4	2	4							28
Alstead						1	8	6	2	3	4	2	26
Totals	6	8	4	4	2	5	8	6	2	3	4	2	54

Acworth District
New Hampshire State Department of Education
Division of Administrative Services

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1953 (Treasurer's bank balance)		$ 107.79
Received from Selectmen		
Current Appropriation	$17,785.75	
Balance of Previous Appropriation	614.25	
Received from State Treasurer		
State Funds	127.10	
Received from All Other Sources	124.06	
Total Receipts		$18,651.16
Total Amount available for fiscal year (balance and receipts)		18,758.95
Less School Board orders paid		18,550.61
Balance on hand June 30, 1954 (treasurer's bank balance)		$ 208.34

HARRY B. GOWEN, District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Acworth of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954 and find them correct in all respects.

MAUDE H. MOODY, Auditor

July 10, 1954.

Detailed Statement of Receipts

State of New Hampshire, hot lunch fund	$ 124.45
Town of Acworth, current appropriation	17,785.75
Town of Acworth, balance of previous appropriation	614.25
Harvey Bascom, refund	12.00
Perry & Willard, refund	34.41
State of New Hampshire, gas tax refund	2.65
John Masury, transportation	26.50
Harvey Bascom, sale of tire chains	5.00
Acworth Women's Club, refund	1.65
Perley Whipple, transportation	7.00
Frank Weaver, sale of stretcher	10.00
George Amsden, playground equipment fund	27.50
Total Receipts during year	$18,651.16

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Acworth, I hereby submit my third annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The total enrollment in school has been very small, especially in grades four, five and six. It was necessary at the end of the first semester to transfer the third grade from one room to another to balance the teacher load. This was caused by one family moving to Lempster which decreased by four the number in the intermediate grades.

Acworth was most fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Ruth Weeks, a graduate of Plymouth Teachers College, to replace Miss Joan Worthley who left to teach at the Crotched Mountain Hospital. Mrs. Weeks has had several years of teaching experience and, with a small group, she has done an exceptionably fine job in teaching fundamentals. Test results indicate that the pupils have made more than average progress as a result of her teaching. She has also been able to teach music effectively.

Mrs. Virginia Blake has continued to teach very effectively the pupils of grades one through three and, with the third grade transferred to Mrs. Weeks' room, the first and second grade pupils will receive the benefit of even more attention.

Acworth is most fortunate in having two excellent teachers, and a school nurse, Miss Florence MacIver, who carries on a health program very efficiently.

The school board, in reviewing the probable enrollment for 1955-56, is recommending a continuation of the present system. The board and your superintendent feel that the educational benefits outweigh the financial consideration of retaining the seventh and eighth grades and increasing the number of grades per teacher to four.

Additional work was done on the playground to increase its use by children at recess and during the noon-hour. Additional playground apparatus has been installed. The usual cleaning and floor treatment was carried out during the summer and some painting done. Bulletin boards were installed and a refrigerator purchased for the hot lunch program.

Mr. Clyde Young was appointed to replace Mrs. Frances Streeter on the school board when Mrs. Streeter moved to Connecticut.

Your superintendent feels that the Acworth School is experiencing a most profitable year educationally due to excellent teachers, a very capable and cooperative school board, and a transportation situation which has presented no serious problem this year.

If state aid in the form of general aid, flat grant, transportation, and building aid is forthcoming, Acworth should benefit financially when it is now urgent that real estate taxation be relieved of its tremendous burden.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH H. MEACHAM

Superintendent

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

In 1833 a law was passed in France requiring school committees of the towns and cities to keep school houses clean. From this very simple but necessary beginning, stem our present day school health services.

What are school health services?

School health services are procedures established: (a) to appraise the health status of pupils; (b) to advise pupils, parents and others of the appraisal findings; (c) to encourage correction of remediable defects; (d) to assist in the identification and education of handicapped children; (e) to help prevent and control diseases; (f) to provide necesary emergency service for injury or sudden illness.

Our modern school deals with the physical, mental, emotional and social development of each pupil. Gone is the day when the school was primarily concerned with the facts a child memorized. The desire now is health, happiness and foundation for a useful life.

Certain health services help parents and school personnel to become acquainted with the health problems of children, and provide a means of helping children obtain solutions for their problems. For example, vision and hearing tests assist in determining the degree to which a child may benefit from his school experiences. As child health is improved, other aspects of school endeavor are more successful. To learn effectively, children need good health.

Unquestionably one of the most important factors in carrying out our health program effectively is the very fine cooperation and understanding which you, as parents and interested individuals, have given it.

It is a great pleasure to work with you, and a very rewarding experience to work with your children. Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE MACIVER, R. N.

Vital Statistics

REGISTERED IN THE

TOWN OF ACWORTH

NEW HAMPSHIRE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1954

Births Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex and Condition: Male Female	Sex and Condition: No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Mar. 13	Claremont	Laura Diane	F	1	Gardner E. Pierce	Ethelyn E. Rollins	Acworth, N. H.	Draftsman	New Hampshire	New Hampshire
Apr. 17	Bellows Falls	Robert James	M	2	Robert W. Ingoldsby	Marion M. McCue		Farmer	Hartford, Conn.	Brookfield, Vt.
May 9	Springfield	Rickie Allen	M	2	Kenneth W. Lanpher	Mary L. Pockett		Clerk	Hyde Park, Vt.	Bellows Falls, Vt
July 3	Newport	Richard Michael	M	1	Charles F. Pockett	Veino Anne Lumatainen-Luman		Mechanic	South Acworth, N. H.	Unity, N. H.
July 10	Claremont	Nancy Jean	F	3	Kenneth E. Bascom	Ruth M. Baker		Farmer	Maine	Massachusetts
Aug. 18	Bellows Falls	Deborah Nancy	F	3	Francis Martin	Irene Vincent		Lumberman	Quebec, Canada	Montpelier, Vt.
Sept. 2	Springfield	Gail Rose	F	1	Gordon H. Gowen	Elizabeth R. Geer		Farmer	Walpole, N. H.	Putney, Vt.
13	Keene	Robert Wayne	M	3	Ralph L. Balla	Ruth H. Kelly		Lumberman	Acworth, N. H.	Keene, N. H.
Oct. 12	Newport	Dana Verton	M	7	Stanley F. Waterman	Marion E. Richardson		Teamster	Thetford, Vt.	Canaan, N. H.
17	Bellows Falls	Roger William	M	2	William N. Butson	Laura E. Pitkin		Lumberman	Bellows Falls, Vt.	South Acworth, N. H.
Nov. 11	Bellows Falls	Alice Jean	F	1	Thomas L. Dearden	Mildred E. Nichols		Carpenter	Chester, Vt.	Marlow, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954.

Date and Place of Marriage	Name & Surname of Groom & Bride	Residence of Each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation of Groom & Bride	Birthplace of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Condition	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
Apr. 17 Keene	Fay Albert Evans	Acworth, N. H.	53	Machinist	New Hampshire	George A. Evans	N. H.		Charles C. Austin, Keene, N. H. Minister
						Lillian M. Symonds	N. H.	Divorced	
	Florence Louise Mason	Keene, N. H.	45	Shoe worker	New Hampshire	Charles A. Kingsbury	N. H.		
						Ida M. Allen	N. H.	Divorced	
May 15 Acworth	William Richard Potter	Acworth, N. H.	21	Machine shop	Acworth, N. H.	Thomas R. Potter	Acworth, N. H.		Geo. B. Owen. Acworth, N. H. Congregational Minister
						Dorothy E. Philbrick	Fremont, N. H.	Single	
	Hildegard Riedi	Acworth, N. H.	21	At home	Switzerland	Hans Riedi	Switzerland	Single	
						Hedi Matter Riedi	Switzerland		
June 26 Char'town	Lynn Robert Bushey	Acworth, N. H.	26	Machinist	Connecticut	Lawrence A. Bushey	Mass.		Louis C. Reed. Charlestown, N. H. Clergyman
						Catherine F. Overland	Conn.	Single	
	Betty Sue Tester	Charlestown, N. H.	18	None	North Carolina	Francis Tester	No. Carolina		
						Loy Presnel	No. Carolina	Single	
June 27 Acworth	Melburn James Quinn	Acworth, N. H.	40	Mining	Vermont	Homer W. Quinn	Vermont		Eric W. Bascom, Acworth, N. H., Clergyman of Congregational Christian Church
						Eva Boyd	Vermont	Divorced	
	Helen Maude Wright	Acworth, N. H.	28	Horse trainer	New Hampshire	Loyal R. Vallient	New York		
						Jilpha Chapman	N. H.	Divorced	
July 31 Acworth	Leon Freeman Newton	Acworth, N. H.	45	Farmer & Town Clerk	Acworth, N. H.	Elmer E. Newton			Eric W. Bascom. Acworth, N. H. Clergyman
						Annie J. Neal	Acworth, N. H.	Single	
	Ella Doris Perham	Acworth, N. H.	45	Teacher	Acworth, N. H.	Arthur L. Perham	N. H.		
						Gertrude M. Russell	N. H.	Single	
Sept. 4 Charl'town	Allyn McLean Bascom	Acworth, N. H.	22	Farmer	New Hampshire	Glenn N. Bascom	N. H.		Eric W. Bascom. Acworth, N. H. Clergyman
						Elizabeth A. Merrill	Conn.	Single	
	Elizabeth Martha Frizzell	Charlestown, N. H.	19	None	Vermont	Theodore J. Frizzell	N. H.		
						Martha M. MacDonald	N. J.	Single	

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Sin., Mar., Wid.	Occupation	Place of Birth Mother	Place of Birth Father	Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother
Mar. 10	Bellows Falls	Annie G. Newton	81	Acworth, N. H.	F	W	Housework	Charlestown	Acworth	Winslow Neal	Harriett L. Gilmore
May 24	Acworth	Beatrice Ethel Christie	70	England	F	M	Housewife				
Aug. 8	Acworth	Pearl L. Putney	63	West Unity, N. H.	F	M	At Home				

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk.

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